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SUBJECT: 7TH SPECIAL SESSION: CHANGE OF VENUE

1. DURING COURTESY CALL OF UN UNDER SECRETARY-GENERAL VAN LEATHEM ON IO ASSISTANT SECRETARY BUFFUM APRIL 17, BUFFUM INQUIRED CONCERNING CORRIDOR GOSSIP ABOUT AN ALGERIAN PLAN TO PROPOSE THE CHANGE OF VENUE OF THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION TO ALGIERS.

2. VAN LEATHEM INDICATED THAT HE HAD BEEN AWARE OF THESE REPORTS FOR SOME TIME AND HAD ASKED THE ALGERIANS ABOUT THEM. HE BELIEVES THEY WOULD HAVE TOLD HIM IF THEY INTENDED TO DO THIS. HE POINTED OUT IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT AND COSTLY TO MOVE THE SESSION TO ALGIERS. FOR ONE THING, THEY WOULD NOT HAVE THE FACILITIES FOR MORE THAN 100 MINISTERIAL DELEGATIONS FOR THEY HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE GROUP OF 77. IT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT AND EXPENSIVE FOR THE UN SECRETARIAT AND ALGERIA WOULD HAVE TO PAY THE COSTS. HE BELIEVED THE TIME WAS NOW TOO SHORT FOR PLANNING OF SUCH A MASSIVE UNDERTAKING. KISSINGER
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